

**MARTINSVILLE COMMON COUNCIL
MARTINSVILLE INDIANA
MORGAN COUNTY, INDIANA
MONDAY, AUGUST 18, 2014**

Mayor Phil Deckard called the Martinsville Common Council to order on Monday, August 18, 2014. Water office manager, Mae Cooper then led those in attendance in opening prayer followed by the Boy Scout Troop 219 leading attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ATTENDANCE

THOSE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Phil Deckard, Mayor
Terry Buster, District 1
Bob Strader, District 2
Gary Lester, District 3
Jeff Price, District 4
Phil Deckard II, District 5
Eric Bowlen, Councilman-at-Large
Sharon Kold, Councilwoman-at-Large
Ross Holloway, City Engineer
Roger Coffin, City Attorney
Bob Carter, Fire Chief
Roger Wiltermood, Chief of Police
Valerie Hugart, Clerk-Treasurer
Becky Tumey, 1st Deputy Clerk

A quorum was declared present.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilman Eric Bowlen to accept the minutes from the previous meeting as written. Councilman Robert Strader seconded the motion. The Motion passes 6-0.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Rural Metro Ambulance

Mayor Phil Deckard commented that Rural Metro is indeed leaving the Martinsville area. He will be meeting with an officer of the company in the coming week. The City of Martinsville has a contract with Rural Metro at this time. Either party can dismiss themselves from the contract with only giving 120 day notice. Rural Metro has determined to use this 120 day clause. Mayor Deckard has spoken with county officials

and it was stated that the county is not interested at this time to monetarily support an ambulance service. Mayor Deckard informed the council that there will be upcoming meetings concerning this issue.

911 Property

Mayor Deckard, on behalf of the city council, spoke with county official concerning the roadway on North Lincoln. This is a concern due to the right-a-way not being what was earlier agreed upon between city and county officials. The new 911 site land was donated by the City of Martinsville to house the 911 building. The city will accept the new road way as long as the county paves or resurfaces the area and releases the City of Martinsville from any upkeep that this roadway may need now and in the future. A locked gate also needs to be installed at the site. Mayor Deckard re-iterated that it was never the council's intention that the main entrance be located from Blue Bluff. Meetings with the council and City Engineer, Ross Holloway, will be in the upcoming future.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Martinsville City Parks

Martinsville Park & Recreation President, Del Chafey, was present and reported to the council of progress at the parks. Shelter #2 will soon have a handicap accessible restroom. New event at the park will be held on Saturdays from 5-8pm and will consist of a Cruise In. Cars and trucks will be on display at the main park. Also, playground equipment that was found in the garage is nearing completion. This equipment will be added to the main playground area. Employees met with Duke to discuss new hookup outlets. This will be beneficial for the 4th of July celebration. Pumps at the pool have been shut down due to a potential leak. Slip & Slide is currently active on Monday and Wednesdays from 4-8 pm. Shelter at the top of the hill will be replaced and the park is in contact with the Indiana Dream Team for their services. Mr. Chafey also reminded the council that he will be updating them via email of events and progresses of the parks.

Morgan County Economic Development

MCED representative Lyndsey Beckman reported of upcoming events for career readiness programs for local schools. These events will take place at Mooresville and Martinsville Public Libraries.

City Engineer-Ross Holloway

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NEW BUSINESS

Bond Issue

Ross Holloway, along with Umbuagh representatives was present to discuss the bond issue. Mr. Holloway addresses the project list previously given to the board of works. Councilman Jeff Price questioned the round-about. Mr. Holloway explained how the round-about would allow for easier flow of traffic. Councilman Jeff Price concern with students walking to Poston Road Elementary School located on Poston Road. Mr. Holloway explained that the round-about is essentially safer than stop signs or lights. Councilman Robert Strader questioned semi-truck traffic through the round-about. Mr. Holloway stated that if the round-about is designed correctly the traffic flow will be as planned. A motion was made by Councilman Gary Lester to accept the 2014 bond issue on the 2nd reading. City attorney, Roger Coffin, has reviewed the bond issue ordinance. Councilman Robert Strader seconded the motion.

Motion passes 6-0.

OLD BUSINESS

Flood Ordinance 2014-1688-Second reading

Ross Holloway has been in contact with the DNR and Roger Coffin concerning the flood ordinance. Mayor Deckard suggested acting upon the second reading. A motion was made by Councilman Gary Lester to pass and adopt on the 2nd reading of the flood ordinance. City attorney, Roger Coffin, has reviewed the flood ordinance. Councilman Phil Deckard II seconded the motion. Motion passes 6-0.

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Non-agenda

Al Wetzel

Lincoln Hill resident, Al Wetzel, approached the council concerning the entrance for the new 911 building. Mr. Wetzel's concern is traffic on Lincoln Hill. He obtained his information from the local newspaper released by the county officials. Councilman Phil Deckard II and Mayor Deckard stated that the county council falsely commented on the issue. Mayor Deckard stated that he has since spoken to the county officials and false statements that have been made.

CLAIMS

A motion to accept the claims as reported was made by Councilman Jeff Price. Councilmen Phil Deckard II seconded the motion. The claims were accepted with a vote of 6-0.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Councilman Gary Lester made the motion to adjourn. This was seconded by Councilman Jeff Price. The motion passes 6-0.

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Shannon Kohl, Councilwoman

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Eric Bowlen

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Phillip R. Deckard II

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Robert Strader

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ATTEST:

Valerie Hugart

Valerie Hugart, Clerk-Treasurer